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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (MBHB Case No. 07-2352)

In re Application of:)
Daniel Thommen et al.	Confirmation No.: 5751
Serial No.: 10/588,325	Examiner: Templeton, C. L.
Filed: May 4, 2007) Group Art Unit No.: 3773
For: An Implant for Occluding a Body Passage	;) ;)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S INTERVIEW SUMMARY MAILED DECEMBER 15, 2010

Sir:

Enclosed is Applicant's summary of the interview conducted on December 7, 2010. Applicant files this response in conjunction with the filing of a Notice of Appeal and a Petition for Extension of Time. As such, no fees are believed due at this time, but the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account 13-2490 in the case that fees are owed.

Substance of the Interview begins on page 2 of this paper.

SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Applicant thanks the Examiner and his Supervisor for the telephonic interview on

December 7, 2010 with the Applicant's representative Kirsten L. Thomson. The Applicant

appreciates the Examiner's time in discussing independent claim 1. No exhibits were shown nor

was any demonstration conducted. During the interview, the Kotula reference was discussed in

view of claim limitations drawn to elongate members, occluding bodies and the attachment of

the occluding bodies to the elongate members. The Examiner discussed his interpretation of the

claim limitation drawn to attachment, but ultimately no agreement was reached.

Respectfully submitted,

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